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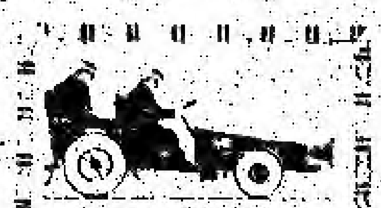

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Weekly Whirligig

By K. W.

Stimulating . . . In the majority of my contacts with the first generation I have noticed, to my dislike, an insistent clinging to ideas and attitudes that seem to me incredibly outworn or amazingly out-of-place.

For that reason it's more than refreshing to met a man like "Johnny" Nihei. Born in Japan, "Johnny" came to Canada in his late teens, and for almost the past twenty years has been employed at Ocean Falls. Legally he is an Issei. Actually he is more westernized in his outlook than many a Nisei.

His years of work and close association with Occidental labour have given him a deep (and in my opinion a sound) insight into the economic position of the Nisei in Canada. He has been one of the most active leaders in the union movement in Ocean Falls, and was largely instrumental in the organization of the Japanese unit of local section of local 312 of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers.

It is his belief, and common sense tells us that it is a sound belief, that the surest road for the Nisei to travel toward political and economic emancipation in Canada is the road common to all labour—through organization and close association in the labour movement.

Infuriating . . . to meet two elderly apologetic gentlemen, who edge their way into your office first thing in the morning, armed with a list of names, a map, credentials and a special police badge, and who leave with five dollars of of your hard-earned money in their possession, and leave you a green-inked poll tax receipt . . . then to walk out to post a letter, and to have to wait until another pair of gentlemen post election notices upon the nearby telephone pole . . . and finally to read in the daily press that "Alderman" Wilson has always thought it a splendid idea to extend the civic franchise to everyone who pays the poll tax, provided that the "everyone" doesn't include Orientals.

Disappointing . . . is the way Spring comes to Vancouver—creeping in and then retreating, here today and gone tomorrow, until you never know for certain whether She has really come—unless you refer to your calender.

In an interior town I once knew so well, it used to be a nerve-tingling experience to feel, to see, to hear, to smell Spring sweep triumphantly through the valley, with King Winter beating a hasty retreat to his mountain fastness.

There will never be a more delightful harbinger of new life than the gusty "Chinook" winds sweeping the snow before them, just as Joshua's trumpeters once levelled the walls of Jericho.

Red Cross Meeting

Nippon Club, Sunday, 3 p.m.

Canada-Japanese Friendship Topic For Essay Contest

Offering as two first prizes a free trip to Japan this summer with all expenses paid and $100 in cash in addition, the Japan Times, Tokyo, has announced the sponsorship of an essay contest open to all university and matriculation students in B. C., Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, the Yukon or N. W. Territories, in commemoration of the 2600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire.

The contest, which will be to write a 1500-word essay on the significant topic, "Why Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship," is offered by the Japan Times as a contribution to the promotion of goodwill between Canada and Japan.

The two winning students will receive a one-month tour of Japan as guest of the famous Japanese English paper, with all expenses paid and $100 besides. In addition, two cash prizes of $50 and five of $20 each are offered to writers.

Judges will include four prominent citizens of the province and Kenji Nakauchi, Japanese consul in Vancouver.

Final date for entries is June 15, 1940, and they should be addressed to the Japan Times, in care of the Japanese Consulate, Vancouver. Further information may be obtained at the consulate.

News In Pictures

Enclosed with this issue is the pictorial supplement which The New Canadian brings to its readers as an additional monthly news service. Included in the supplement are pictures not covered by any other source, and we feel that they will be of interest to all readers. The New Canadian would appreciate your comment upon this feature, as well as any suggestions for improvement in your Nisei paper.

NISEI LEADER

Columbia Studio

Well-known among the Nisei as a producer of results, Dr. George A. Ishiwara, newly-elected president of the Vancouver JCCL heads the metropolitan unit of the organization which represents every Nisei in the province, and looks forward to a year of progress for every Nisei. With Mrs. Ishiwara he will act as chaperon to the local basketball teams on their trip to Seattle, Easter week-end.

"No Conscription" Says Youth Council War Questionnaire

Strong opposition to the enforcement of conscription in the present war was registered in the preliminary results of some 250 returns from questionnaires distributed in Vancouver by the Youth Council, as part of the nation-wide campaign now being conducted by the Canadian Youth Congress.

Youth Council officials believe the returns are fairly representative of local youth opinion, although admitting that a preponderance of returns from trade union members probably lends a distinct bias to the results.

Returns further indicated a strong belief that conscription would have serious effects upon Canadian unity, but almost 50 per cent favored a plebiscite upon the question.

Results also registered a desire for increased wage levels to parallel increased costs of living and increased profits.

On The Newsfront

Langley Nisei Organize Club

Langley, B. C.—The youth of this Japanese community have organized a combined girls' and boys' club, the Langley Nisei Club. With parents in attendance, the first meeting was held, Feb. 29, under the chairmanship of president Hideo Takaoka. Mr. Ikuta accepted the position of leader and Mr. M. Orida as advisor to the organization.

Defence Minister Acknowledges War Contributions

Japanese Canadian citizens in two widely separated centres received warm thanks of the Government through Minister of National Defence, the Hon. Norman Rogers, for contributions to Canada's war effort.

In acknowledging the donation of $189 from the Japanese people of Chemainus, Mr. Rogers wrote: "May I assure you that I deply appreciate the spirit of loyalty and co-operation which you and your fellow Japanese Canadians have expressed in such a tangible manner."

"Your gift has been brought to the attention of my Colleagues of the Government and on their behalf as well as my own, I am anxious that you convey to the members of the J.C.C.L. of Chemainus the expression of sincere thanks."

A similar message of thanks was received by Japanese citizens of Regina, who forwarded through the Mayor of Regina the sum of $80.50 to the War fund.

Lily Washimoto To Assist In Piano Recital

Assisting in the piano recital which is to be given by Phyllis Ward and Glen Nelsen at the Hotel Georgia March 15, the proceeds of which are to be handed to the B. C. Music Teachers' Emergency Fund, will be Lily Washimoto, well-known Nisei soprano. She will present two groups of songs in French and in English.

Strawberry Hill Japanese Make Red Cross and War Donations

A sum of $43.50 has been raised by the Strawberry Hill Japanese farmers for the war fund and has been entrusted to the Delta Municipality to be forwarded to Ottawa.

In addition, a fund for the Red Cross Society was handed to the authorities recently. Each family contributed one dollar.

JAPANESE IN NORTH CHINA INCREASE

TOKYO.—The Japanese population of North China has increased by five times since the outbreak of the China Affair, according to a census taken by the Japanese Consul General at Peking. As at Jan. 1, the Japanese population totalled 229,000. Peking led the cities with 46,000, followed by Tientsin with 40,000.

Citizens' League Plans Expansion

Delegates To Youth Congress Appointed

A year of expanding activity was forecast Tuesday night at the first meeting of the new executive of the Vancouver Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens' League, with the adoption of recommendations to enlarge the executive board by five officers. With the enlarged executive, it is felt that the work of the organization may be brought more closely home to many Nisei at present unacquainted with the aim and program of the JCCL.

Nominated by the executive for executive positions were Yoshio T. Terada, Shoichi Takayama, Cecil Okawara, Mas Endo and Miss Kazuko Kagawa.

The Nisei will again be represented in the provincial Youth Congress scheduled for Easter week-end at the Normal School by JCCL delegates. Appointed as delegates were Miss Hide Hyodo, Miss Yae Suzuki, Kunio Shimizu, Mark Toyama and Kunito Shoyama.

March 21, the chapter will sponsor the second annual Spring Frolic at Happyland, with Doug Raymond's orchestra in attendance. Leading first generation citizens will be invited to join in this social affair with the younger people.

Credit Unions Urged As Aid To Better Conditions

P.C.F.U. Head Stresses Need For Co-operation In Fishing

SUNBURY, B. C.—A new method of improving economic conditions among themselves through the organization of co-operative credit unions was described here to a meeting of Japanese fishermen Sunday, March 3, by Norman H. Mackenzie of the Extension Department of the University of B. C.

A very forceful and entertaining speaker, Mr. Mackenzie roused the keenest attention of his audience in his explanation of the function of credit unions and the benefits which they realize.

He traced the history of the movement in Canada and showed how practical experience in the Maritime fishing industry has brought advantages in many ways to the fishermen.

Concluding with a description of how a union operates in actual practice, Mr. Mackenzie urged that a study group be set up to explore the possibility of organizing such a union among the Japanese.

Urges Co-operation

Previous to Mr. Mackenzie's address, the meeting heard a brief plea for co-operation from Percy Sabin, president of the Pacific Coast Fishermen's Union, largest trade union among the gillnet fishermen in the province.

"The Japanese people," Mr. Sabin declared, "have been practicing co-operation in the fishing industry for a long time and so have the white people to a lesser degree, but what we need, all of us, is co-operation with each other, whether we are Japanese, White, Indian, or Chinese."

Mr. Sabin urged that both White and Japanese fishermen should strive to remove the difficulties which prevent the two groups working together in harmony to solve problems common to all fishermen.

Chairman of the meeting was Tatsuro Suzuki, active Nisei leader. Mr. Inomata, president of the Upper River Japanese Fishermen's Association, expressed the vote of thanks, and Mr. F. Tamaki interpreted.

SYMPHONY PRE-AUDITION

Allard de Ridder, who is conducting the season's final concert of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, March 17, will be the speaker at the pre-audition to be held at the Hotel Georgia on Friday, March 15, at 8 p.m. Mr. de Ridder will give illustrations from his own programme.

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International Goodwill

A significant gesture in support of international goodwill is being made by the Japan Times, largest English daily in Japan, in sponsoring an essay contest on the topic, "Why Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship."

Open to every matriculation and University student, in Western Canada, the contest is deserving of the most enthusiastic support from every quarter and especially from the Nisei.

Even the most casual or biased of observers must admit that there are many reasons why Canada and Japan should cultivate the closest ties of friendship. But detailed knowledge of the relations of our country with Japan, a thorough grasp of the many economic, political and cultural advantages to be gained through the friendliest intercourse, an understanding of the vital roles that each country plays in maintaining international peace on the Pacific—all this is confined to too few students of international affairs.

The contest, then, will serve to bring these facts to light and to present a vivid picture to the general public. The sponsors of the contest deserve the sincerest congratulations for this constructive gesture toward the maintenance of peace on the Pacific.

Encouragement!

Encouragement is a wonderful thing.

Usually it is this small spiritual uplift that may mean the difference between success and failure.

Nisei school children are generally commended for good grades in grammar school by their parents. These same children become the valedictorians in high schools.

A young Nisei is urged to participate in forensics, and a keen interest in oratory is aroused. Perhaps it is a small bit of encouragement that impels him to excel in public spirit.

The same is true in business.

Many Nisei are entering their own type of enterprise. It is that small bit of favorable smile and support that often decides whether he will continue or quit.

Our own community could use so much in the way of encouraging the ambitious Nisei. It costs so little and the effects are far-reaching.

The difference between a cycle of prosperity and a period of depression is a matter of encouragement against discouragement. Too often so far we have had to many self-appointed critics and too few optimists.

Let's head for recovery.

L. A. Mirror.

In A Nisei World

Is There Happiness In Arranged Marriages?

Henry's eyes wandered around the kitchen, to the newly-curtained windows where pots of red and green geraniums stood, beyond the sill over the wide stretch of countryside that the setting sun had turned into a field of gold.

Three years ago it was that he had last been around these parts . . . So this was Miyoko's home. The walls, he noticed, had been newly-papered and the linoleum well polished. Everything looked spic and span and fresh in spite of the withering hot summer air.

News of Engagement Reaches Henry

Three years ago it was that Miyoko had written to him about her impending engagement to Hisao Nishikawa. She had begged of him to help her change their parents' decision, and he had immediately written to them. He had told them in no uncertain terms that their action in permitting the go-betweens to go ahead and arrange the marriage against Miyoko's desires was like selling her into prostitution.

But father and mother, ordinarily so obliging, had been obstinate. They had replied that he didn't know anything about the matter and as for Miyoko, she was too young to know her own mind filled with romantic ideas let alone anything about marriage.

Miyoko had been just as stubborn and had turned a deaf ear to her mother's pleas, arguments, cajolings and threats and even the day before they had her engagement announced she had vehemently refused to give in and had passed the whole night sobbing. The following morning there were dark rings around her usually lovely and expressive eyes.

But her spirit seemed to have been broken, for she meekly submitted herself to the engagement ceremony, and two months later the wedding had taken place.

Henry Receives Word About Miyoko's Husband

Henry didn't have the chance to become well acquainted with Miyoko's husband who had just recently returned from Japan where he had received his education. Hisao was a Nisei like Bill, Miyoko and himself, but could hardly speak English. But to judge from the letters Bill had been sending him more recently, Henry gathered that Hisao was a pretty decent young man, not too bad looking, dependable and very kind to Miyoko, fulfilling her every whim and wish (and Miyoko had always been a little self-centred).

Miyoko, however, was never the girl to sulk and pout. She had always been high-spirited. At first, her letters to her brother after her marriage had contained words vowing unforgiving hatred towards all who had brought about this unhappy marriage of hers. That resentment had gradually subsided, and two years later, Henry was surprised to note a marked change in her attitude towards things. He was puzzled at first, but subsequent tidings that Miyoko was going to have a baby seemed to explain everything.

The sound of footsteps reached his ears, and turning away from the window, his eyes fell on a little bundle Miyoko had brought into the room, hugging tightly to herself.

"So this is my nephew, Teddy?" asked Henry as stepping to her side he peered down into a cherub-like face. "Ah, ha: He has his mummy's eyes, but whose mouth . . . tut, tut, musn't yawn like this . . . and chin are these? Couldn't be granddaddy's or grandmother's . . ."

"They're his daddy's," Miyoko replied laughingly, her eyes dancing with motherly pride and affection.

The Red Cross Society Marches On!

By IRENE UCHIDA

A red Maltese cross on a white background—the symbol of mercy, the emblem of neutrality commanding the respect of all belligerents. What picture does this distinctive badge conjure up for you? Pictures of ambulances trundling through war stricken areas, of hospitals filled with the wounded and dying, of efficient doctors rushing back and forth bringing relief to the soldiers. But mostly pictures of young nurses in crisp white uniforms carrying on the torch of Florence Nightingale in a work requiring nerves of steel. And yet, in spite of the hardships, there is a certain lure about the calling of a war nurse, the lure of tense excitement, of lurking dangers, of drama and heroism.

KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING

But war nurses are comparatively few in number. What then of the tens and thousands of young women left at home? For them there is no glamorous uniform, no dramatic excitement, no fanfare or thrill of heroic feats. Just a steady plugging along to keep the home fires burning. But it is to these women that the country turns for aid. Theirs is the unglorified lot of working at home on hospital supplies and soldier garments without which an army cannot march.

Let us see what is actually taking place behind the doors of the National Headquarters of the Red Cross Society in Toronto. Here hundreds of women gather daily volunteering their time for such work as inspecting and sorting materials, cutting and sending out patterns and making supplies. Through the doors of the Red Cross tons of supplies pass in and out in an unending stream.

What happens when a group sends in a hamper? First the contents are checked and the donation acknowledged. Then each piece is carefully inspected. Are the socks smooth and sufficiently stretchy? Are the garments clean and correctly made? Any flaw means more work—unravelling and made anew. After the inspection the articles are folded and bundled ready to be shipped to military units and refugees.

ABSOLUTELY NO WASTE

In cutting out garments not one scrap of material is wasted, the tiny pieces being converted into baby clothes and ice bag covers. In knitting socks there must not be a knot to irritate the feet of marching men. And never a wasted minute. To save precious time the workers take their own lunches and eat while they work. And wherever they go, their knitting goes with them just in case of a spare moment now and then to add a stitch or two.

Women of all ages and races are working together side by side, day after day. And we Nisei women are not going to stand idly by. A Nisei Red Cross unit is in the making and we will soon become an integral part of a magnificent organization. Small though our share may be we will be doing our bit of war work for Canada. It will be work demanding patience, skill and ingenuity. But in the rank and file of this huge army that is plain-purling its way to victory, the Nisei women will not be missing.

A toast to the Red Cross, to Canadian women and their work.

From Our Canadian Readers

SYMPHONY

Editor, The New Canadian.

Dear Sir: Please accept the sincere thanks of the Vancouver Symphony Society for the great interest your paper has shown in the Vancouver Symphony Society.

May I compliment you on the very splendid little paper that you edit.

The directors of the Vancouver Symphony Society are happy to have so many Japanese Canadians members of the Society.

Amy Buckerfield.

CANADIAN SUBSCRIBERS

Dear Sir:—Having read and enjoyed several copies of your paper, I would like to subscribe.

I congratulate you on your fine efforts and believe your paper is and will continue to be a valuable contribution to Nisei life.

I hope that its circulation will increase among Canadians who are not of Japanese origin, for I believe that it might accomplish much towards a better understanding, more co-operation and goodwill.

Best wishes.

Margaret Ridgway.
1410 E. 12th, City.

ALDERMAN WILSON

Editor, The New Canadian.—

Dear Sir: In answer to your article re Alderman Wilson and his "Oriental Menace," it gives me great pleasure to read your sentiments. Keep up the good work. You have a perfect right to air your views and I hope you will continue to do so. You speak only the truth.

The old saying is, you know, "every dog has his day" and of course we must not overlook the fact that he is gifted, just like his father. Although he should remember he must have heard his father often repeat to his congregation, "Love thy neighbour as thyself." But I am afraid it is a case of "Do as I say," and not as I do.

He particularly, from his bringing-up, should be a little more kind and generous in his dealings with his brother man and also should remember he is not the whole cheese. Neither does he rule the universe.

Keep on trying and you will win. Right must prevail and never forget we have a Friend that sticks closer than a brother and He is no respecter of persons, caste, creed nor color. It will be a happy day when all these hateful bickerings are over and there comes a change when all racial hatreds must cease and cheap dishonourable politicians are done away with.

Mrs. D. S. Halli[illegible]
326 E. Broadway, City.

Stirrings In Steveston

Issei Address Nisei At JCCA Meet

By Staff Correspondent

Stirring themselves to great activity the members of the Steveston JCCA, local chapter of the Citizens' League, rallied to the Dantai Hall last Saturday to listen to the talks of five prominent Isseis concerning the Nisei problems.

After a short introduction by Chairman Iwaichi Yamamoto, there followed short addresses by Mr. R. Hayashi, noted Steveston citizen, on the topic, "Ressuscitation of Anemic Steveston," Mr. T. Umezuki of the Daily People on "Facing the Stern Realities of Life," Mr. R. Ide, well-known Vancouver business man, on "First Bury the Corpse," and Mr. Y. Iwasaki of the Tairiku Nippo on "Putting Words into Action."

Mr. K. Nakauchi who brought up the rear of the imposing array of guest speakers with an inspiring talk on "What is expected of Steveston Young People," singled out the good and bad points of the Stevestonites as he had come to know them.

One of their defects, he stated, was their inadequate knowledge of the English language and the conditions of Canada. He stressed the importance of establishing the foundations of economic security among the Nisei and declared that since Canada is their home, they should strive to make it a better place to live in. Such problems as the construction of a much-needed community hall in Steveston were not impossible if only they would devote more time and effort to them.

And the Stevestonites seem well on the way of arousing themselves to this selfsame task.

CPR Debaters Veto Oriental Exclusion

VICTORIA, B. C.—Opposition to a policy of Oriental exclusion for Canada was expressed here in a debate last week at a well-attended meeting of the Colwood Men's Club in the Colwood Hall.

Successfully defending the negative, the Canadian Pacific Railway debate team won a unanimous decision on the resolution, "Resolved that an Oriental exclusion policy for Canada is desirable." The affirmative was taken by a team from the Colwood Chamber of Commerce.

The judges for the debate were Hubert Lethaby, Joseph Cleariline, K.C. and W. E. Steveson. M. F. Hunter was chairman.

A week previous, the association held one of the most successful exhibits of Nisei handicrafts ever witnessed around these parts.

Admiring throngs from distant points showed no small interest in the exhibition that featured the embroidery work of Niseiettes, classroom pieces such as drawings and calligraphy, leather work, trophies won by Steveston Niseis, a delicate miniature of a seine boat, etc., etc., that through popular demand the exhibition was held over for two days.

Among the items planned for the coming weeks before the busy fishing season are a mixer and a debate or open discussion.

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Northwest Rissho Y P To Meet In City, Mar. 22-24

A conference of unusual interest is scheduled to take place in Vancouver over the Easter week-end. It is the Third Annual Rissho Seinenkai Pacific Northwest Conference that is billed for March 22-24 at the Nichiren Temple.

A committee under President John Doshima is drawing up tentative plans dealing with the details of the meet and the accommodation of the delegates from across the line.

About 35 young people representing Portland and Seattle are expected for this convention, the first one of its kind to be held in Vancouver.

Topics lined up for discussion will be of general interest relative to Nisei problems and will be discussed both in English and Japanese.

A conference banquet followed by dancing is planned for Saturday, March 23.

Stage Set For Annual NW Bussei Confab In Wapato

WAPATO, Wash. — Over 350 delegates from Young Buddhist Associations throughout the Pacific Northwest are expected to arrive here by train, auto and bus this week-end for the ninth annual convention of the Young Buddhist League, March 9 and 10.

Canada will be represented for the first time in history with four delegates from Vancouver's Hompa Temple selected to go. They are Misao Hatanaka, Kazuko Kagawa, Kiyoshi Suga and Shota Kondo, who expect to leave the city Friday evening. The Canadian Nisei have been invited to name a speaker to take part in the panel discussions.

Theme of the conference this year is "Enlightenment through Buddha," and an extensive and varied two-day program has been arranged to carry out this theme.

Discussion Groups

Nisei problems will be discussed under the sub-topics of "Education, delinquency, vocations, assimilation and marriage," while the organizational work of the league will receive consideration in the discussion of "The Convention and its Problems."

The future of Buddhism in Canada and the United States will receive serious attention from the delegates in answering the question, "Can the Nisei Maintain the Church?"

Opening services will be held Saturday morning, and welcome addresses delivered by convention officials. In the afternoon, speakers from Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, White River, and Yakima will compete in two oratorical contests, one in English and one in Japanese.

The social side of the convention will be highlighted by a ban-

U.B.C. Arouses Community Interest

Niseis Assist In Open House Exhibits

Indicating the keenest interest in the research and educational facilities of the University of B.C. a record number of visitors from Vancouver's Japanese community toured the campus on the annual Open House day, last Saturday.

Kenji Kitamura, former JSC president and publicity agent for the affair in the Japanese community, estimated that over 300 Japanese visited the campus, the majority of whom were first generation.

Apart from the actual demonstration of technical and research work, a highlight of the day was a tea, sponsored jointly by the University Cosmopolitan Club and the Japanese Students' Club. At the tea held in the Arts Building the JSC presented a display of dolls in keeping with the Dolls Festival of Japan. Among the 600 visitors were civic dignitaries and Consul and Madame K. Nakauchi.

Nisei co-eds, in Japanese kimonos, worked in two shifts in serving and in explaining the significance of the display to many interested visitors.

A large number of Nisei students also participated in the demonstrations in various departments of the University. Among these were Kenji Kitamura, in charge of the flotation process for extraction of gold from ore, and George Saito, who demonstrated and explained the operation of dial telephones.

Eichi Shinobu and Saburo Takahashi were in charge of Diesel engines in the mechanical engineering lab, while Tam Ozaki demonstrated research into rare earth metals in the chemistry lab. Yoichi Kato and Jack Momose assisted in chemistry labs, Nana Yamamoto in bacteriological research, Toshiko Momose in the biology lab, and Wesley Fujiwara in the zoology lab.

Powell United Y P Hosts In City "Visiting Week"

The night school room of the Powell United Church was the scene of a happy get-together as the Powell YP were hosts to three visiting Young People's Societies from the Kerrisdale Baptist Church, the Collingwood United Church and the St. John's Anglican Church in the city-wide Interdenominational Week sponsored by the Greater Vancouver Young People's Union.

The Kerrisdale Baptist YP opened the program by taking charge of the devotional period. Their speaker, Roy Cooper, expressed a desire for more interdenominationalism among the Christian people of today, more Christianity and less "churchianity."

Collingwood United YPS followed with an entertaining musicale highlighted by several vocal and instrumental numbers and topped by merry community singing.

St. John's Anglican YP provided fun and merriment in the form of fanciful games under the masterly direction of Lee Leighton.

The host society then served the refreshments.

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Around The Schools

Kits' Nisei Claim Activity Honours

LORD BYNG

Matric Vignette . . .

When one gets all A's on his report, it's hard to say which are his favourite subjects. Such is the case of **Tom Momose**. He declares, however, that mathematics and chemistry just shade the others. His aspirations, then, dwell somewhere in the realm of engineering.

Tom's hobby is sport of any kind. It manifests itself in his active participation in the gym club and in the Junior Canadian Rugby team, which, now in the semi-finals, stands a good chance of winning the league championship.

Then, as president of his class, Tom is a dignified member of the Lord Byng Student Council.

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GRANDVIEW COMMERCE

The Glee Club is presenting the operetta, "Paints and Patches" in the spring. Three Niseiettes, Miyoko Amano, Mioko Ito and Amy Okukawa, the last as pianist, are working hard in this enterprise.

The Home Nursing exams are being conducted now and for all the girls of the school, and the girls are practising their bandages at noon hours and after school.

Matric Vignette . . .

Minoru Takada is our scholar, nay, our professor when it comes to knowing the facts 'n' stuff of jazz orchestras. How he studies, this musical encyclopaedia (figuratively —Ed. Note), whenever he adds another hot "platter" to his collection!

In school he is the verbal lead-off man of his class, and has a reputation in both soccer and basketball teams. His recreation is golf!

KITSILANO HIGH

By Frank Moritsugu

(Editor-in-Chief, Kitsilano High School Life)

Gym Display . . .

The super super gym display held on Feb. 22-23, was really something or something. The number of Niseis taking part was the largest in the history of Kitsilano (14 in fact) and firmly establishes Kits' Niseis as the most progressive in Vancouver. (This may be the result of Comrade Editor Min Yatabe's frequent editorials encouraging Nisei participation in school activities.)

The Judo demonstration staged by Tommy Kamino and Joe Nakamura received a great ovation. Yuriko Ikeda and Irene Kudo showed their proficiency in ball progressions and clubs, etc., in the Grade 8 girls' item. Among the Grade 7 boys who took part in the demonstration of a physical education period were seen the splendid physiques of Minoru Hagino and Tak Kobayashi.

Taking part in the athletic folk dances were Reiko Tsujimura and Shizue Hayakawa. The Grade 11 boys partner gymnastics revealed Takeo Shimodaira, Yoshi Hagino, and Nori Nishio in cute blue shorts. Hisako Takahashi and Miyoko Tateishi were Grade 7 performers. Jack Kobayashi, as usual, handled the P.A. system.

Oratorical Contest . . .

Astounding, even flooring, the many sceptics who scoffed at his entry, scholarly Min Yatabe licked the cream of the crop of Kits' senior high orators on Feb. 29. ejecting five-syllable words by the dozens, he caused awe and wonder, not only in the audience, but also among his opponents. This incidentally, is another triumph of Kits' Niseis, and Mr. Yatabe really set the pace for the rest of us to follow. (Orchids to us! Boast, Boast.)

Kits' Loss . . .

The sudden departure of Reiko Tsujimura to Japan on Feb. 24 caused a severe loss in the ranks of Kits' Nisei athletes. She was the only Niseiette taking part in sports and track for some years, and was well-known for her athletic feats ever since she entered Junior High.

Fashion Parade . . .

At that delightful (Yes, I saw (it) pre-season showing of spring fashions 'n' things, i.e. the Kitsilano High Fashion Parade, held March 1, many Nisei modelled dresses which they had made themselves in Home Economics.

Some of the girls were Hisako Takahashi, Miyoko Tateishi, Kiyoko Nagai, Matsuko Ohashi, Yoshiko Mizutani, Chieko Omotani, Michiko Saito, Kazue Fujiwara, May Inata, Sumi Sasaki, Sumiko Ikeda, and Masae Wakabayashi.

APOLOGIA

In the last school column, two weeks ago, the name of Jiro Miyazawa of Fairview Commerce, was inadvertently misspelled. Our regrets, Jiro.

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To illustrate: in an ordinary deal, an Ace is fairly certain of taking one trick. Therefore, it is valued at one honor-trick. A King will or will not take a trick depending on who has the Ace of the same suit. In other words, it has a 50-50 chance of winning or half an honor-trick.

A table of honor-tricks:

2 HONOR-TRICKS
A K in the same suit.

1½ HONOR-TRICKS
A Q in same suit.
K Q J in same suit.

1 HONOR-TRICK
Any Ace.
K Q in same suit.
K J 10 in same suit.

½ HONOR-TRICK
K x. K J alone in same suit.
Q J x or Q J 10 in same suit.
Q x and Q x in different suits.

"x" represents any low card (2 to 9).

"PLUS" (+) VALUES
(For more advanced players)

King by itself; Q x; J 10 x; J x and J x in different suits; Queen in A K Q; Jack in A K J, A Q J, A J x, K J x, Q J x.

Two "plus" values make half honor-trick.

NOTE—A K Q J is worth only 2+ Honor-tricks.

Deal yourself a few hands and practise counting the number of honor-tricks in each hand. After several dozen deals you should be able to estimate honor-tricks at a glance. Note also that the total number of honor-tricks in the four hands almost always comes between 8 to 9.

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by Diana

Nature's Symphony Of Colors

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As Oscar Wilde once replied to the question, "What is the most artistic color?" "All colors are artistic. As in music, so in color; one note is not more beautiful than another. The concordant combination of notes is music; the concordant combination of colors is beauty."

Milady This Spring

And what will milady be wearing this spring?

Lots and lots of suits, soft suits everywhere—grey or smokey blue in military style. Add colorful bits of doo-dads and very feminine blouses. Huge "tab-and-carry pockets" on everything—big enough to carry this half-knitted sock. Handbags are also growing larger and larger.

The hood fad persists—silk and cotton hoods on blouses and dresses—not for warmth but just for style. And capes! They'll hit a new high this season. Birds and feathers on hats, with snoods slowly passing out.

Dresses tailored, with a slightly military air achieved by officer's pockets and military buttons and belt. Women look very trim on the streets but at night?—Dainty, feminine, and so, so frivolous.

DUTCH TREATS

Dutch treats—dates on a fifty-fifty basis—mean plenty of good times, but do they always make for romance? Most girls realize that Nisei boys don't own the mint, and that a great deal of scrimping and saving goes into many a date. "Going Dutch" would often relieve the situation, but how would a man react if a girl offered to foot half of the bill? Would his masculine pride be injured or would he appreciate the generous offer?

To you who have often wished to go "Dutch", but who have been rather wary of masculine reaction—hear what the men have to say about Dutch treats.

"I think it's a swell idea. Women are earning just as much and maybe more than we are, so why shouldn't we go fifty-fifty?"

"All young men like to take girls to a show now and then, but they can't always afford to. Dutch treats would mean that they could have twice as many dates."

"I wouldn't ask any girl for a date if I couldn't afford to pay for it. But just the same I would appreciate her gesture."

"A girl who is willing to go 'Dutch' shows thoughtfulness and consideration. But—please, not the first few times—just my masculine vanity, perhaps."

"I would never ask a girl to help—the offer would have to come from her first, and it sure would help me out at times."

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"I would never ask a girl to help—the offer would have to come from her first, and it sure would help me out at times."

"Women have always been crying for feminine rights. What better way is there then of displaying equality than Dutch treats?"

"It is always a good idea for friends, but it isn't quite the thing for romance, at least at the budding stage. I like to feel that a woman is dependent upon me. Dutch treats seem to dispel this feeling making the date rather commonplace. But for a couple who have been going steady for quite a while—I'd say it's just the thing."

And from a very enthusiastic upholder of Dutch treats I received this verse:

It's grand
When you hear of it
And for equality and justice you've pined.
It's simple
When you don't think of it
And don't let it run on your mind.
It's revolting
When you take it wrong
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TOWN TOPICS ...

...Social

...Nippon Tennis Club will ... its first general meeting this ... at 8 o'clock at the Tairiku ... Prospective members are urged ... attend.

...Party

The Powell Kindergarten held its ... children's birthday party last Wednesday, March 6, in the Kindergarten room. The purpose of the ... was to allow the children to celebrate their birthdays together.

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Keiyukai's Grand Roller Frolic ... Happyland this Sunday, March ... from 2-5, will please the urge ... skate enthusiasts. The number ... tickets are limited so get yours ... early—35c.

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...Adieu

Miss Fumiye Ohori, well known ... soprano, will be sailing on ... the Hie Maru on Good Friday, March 22, for a one year visit to Japan. Sailing with her will be her ... Joe, and her cousins, Yaeko ... Hiroshi Ohori.

From 5.30 a combined social and farewell party will be held at the New Pier Cafe in honour of Mr. Z. Kinoshita, active president of the club who will be leaving for Japan on March 22.

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Feting two of its members, Yaeko Hamakawa and Chuto Ebata who won major honours at the recent Fourth Annual Oratorical Classic, the Fairview Young Buddhists' Association and the Church Committee held a celebration at the Fairview Buddhist Temple last Sunday evening, March 3. Mr. Ebata was the only man among the five winners.

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Mum Society

The Kokonoye Kai, the Chrysanthemum Society, climaxed another successful season with a spring fellowship at the Fuji Chop Suey last Sunday evening.

After dinner speeches by Mr. K. Nishikawa, honorary president of the Society, Mr. Charles Jones, president of the Vancouver District Chrysanthemum Society, Mr. S. Uchida, president of the Japanese Merchants' Association, Mr. E. Onchi and Mr. K. Nishihara, was followed by an evening of entertainment.

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Red Cross Calls

Nisei—respond to the call of the Red Cross.

The first open general meeting of the Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit will be held at the Nippon Club this Sunday, March 10, at 3 p.m. Attend and give your wholehearted support.

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Surprise Shower

A surprise kitchen show in honour of Miss Hisaye Hirano, whose engagement to Mr. Roy H. Hayashi was announced recently, was given by the members of the Seikokai AYPA at the Church of Ascension on Thursday evening, March 7, following the Lenten Discussion.

The wedding ceremony will take place at the Church of Ascension on Easter Monday morning with Rev. G. G. Nakayama officiating.

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Cho-Cho-San

Hizi Koyke, internationally famous soprano from distant Nippon, will be heard in the title role of Puccini's beloved opera, Madam Butterfly, when the San Carlo Opera Company rolls into Vancouver next month. Miss Koyke, it will be remembered by many, achieved stardom through this role which is ideally suited to her talents.

Allan Jones, Movie, Radio Star, To Appear Here

Allan Jones, young star of opera, radio, motion pictures and musical comedy, will make a special trip by air to Vancouver to fill the engagement originally scheduled for Jussi Bjoerling.

Allan Jones comes to Vancouver at the crest of a career that brought him to stardom in opera. His favourite roles are the leading tenor roles in "Tosca," "Romeo and Juliette," "Manon," and "La Boheme." To his operatic accomplishments he has added hit roles in musical comedy, motion pictures and radio.

The second group of French songs will be followed after the intermission by three piano selections played by Gibner King, expert pianist who travels with Mr. Jones. The beloved aria "O Paradis" from "L'Africaine" will make up the fourth group while the fifth will comprise English songs by Richard Hageman and Tschaikowsky. Other well-known arias have been promised by Mr. Jones as extras, and the lovely Victor Herbert melodies from his recent starring picture, "The Great Victor Herbert" will also find a place amongst these extra numbers. Seat sale at Kelly's.

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10—Japanese Baseball League Meeting, Japanese Hall.
10—Nippon Tennis Club First General Meeting, Tairiku Hall, 4 p.m.
10—Keiyukai Roller Party, Happyland, 2-5 p.m., 35c.
10—Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit, Open General Meeting, Nippon Club, 3 p.m.
11-12—Badminton Tourney, Mixed Doubles.
15—Japanese Badminton League Social, Hastings Auditorium, 25c.
16—Hiroshima YPS Play, "Conscription," Japanese Hall.
21—JCCL Spring Frolic, Happyland, Doug Raymond's Orchestra; 75c men, 50c ladies.
22-24—Pacific Northwest Rissho Y.P. Conference, Nichiren Temple.
22-25—2nd Annual B. C. Provincial Youth Congress, Normal School.
23—Youth Congress Ball, Hotel Georgia, 50c each.

Happyland Hop Has Hepcats Howling Hotcha-Cha!

By Diana

March 21! Spring! Visions of youth—laughter—romance! It will just continue to be visions if you don't do something about it. And what's easier than just following the crowd? For every path is leading to the event of the season—the JCCL Second Annual Spring Frolic!

League officials headed by Dr. George Ishiwara announce that there'll be something extra special in the line of music and locale—Doug Raymond's superlative 10-piece orchestra at the happiest spot in town—Happyland.

There's just two weeks left to pick your partner so better hustle up. The price—75c for gentlemen and 50c for ladies. Dancing from 9.30 - 1. And don't forget, girls, it's Leap Year, so here's your chance to date that special somebody, that's if he hasn't already asked your best friend.

It's going to be so good that I can't find the words to describe it, so to heck with words. Be on hand and find out for yourself.

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Capital City Chatter

By Toni Gossipe!

Taiyo Club

The constitution of the Taiyo Club was read and given approval of the members at their monthly meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hoita, March 1, with President Harold Kawasoe in the chair.

Jack Hemmi, Stummie Okamoto and Thomas Kuwabara were chosen to look after the "basketball wind-up social" sponsored by the club to be held in the near future. All non-members playing on other teams will also be invited. Refreshments were enjoyed to round out the evening.

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Leap Year

A "Leap Year" dance sponsored by the bachelor-girls of the community, who treated their best beau to an evening of fun and merriment, was held at the home of Miss Aiko Kondo on February 28. Not being present in person we are indebted to a couple of "sweet young things" who burnt ye olde candle at both ends to salvage the following out of the ashes:

We'd heard of one-foot hot-dogs . . . we'd eaten the self-same hot-dogs . . . but it's the first time we'd ever seen a five-foot-two in a one-foot skirt (pink at that) stepping the light fantastic . . . Oh, El-chan, didn't you feel the draught?

George was the only male to come garbed for the occasion (in a blouse and . . . ?) but sure made a bee-line for home to change when he found others not so daringly attired. He was amply rewarded for his gallantry, for he was the only one at the party to be presented with a corsage—of wall-flowers. "Mike" in her abbreviated costume would have taken the prize at any baby show for two-year-olds. Harold wasn't doing so bad for himself—for the first leap-year dance found him sitting in the darkest corner on the stairs with . . . ? "Flaks" looked quite sophisticated in her niece's best party frock — and we'd have sworn not a day over ten.

Mitzi as she fumbled to open her "bingo" prize was heard to say, "Gee, I can hardly wait" when out popped baby dolls — triplets at that. One dashing Romeo has the misfortune of having yelled at him, "Get away from me—you stink." It's all right, folks, you needn't mail him that certain advertisement — he was only wearing a brussel-sprout but-tonniere garnished with garlic presented him by his "date." Yacko's modesty got the best of her when she spied the roomful of males—she dashed off to don a hurriedly commandeered smock. "Gone with the wind" Marion were "scarlet" in her hair and did it catch the masculine eye! The expressions of contentment from the boys was admission enough that the girls were well up in the field of the culinary art—especially out of cans.

Well boys, after all is said and done, how does it feel to have been the wallflowers for a change?

Those who went down to the Terminal Docks Feb. 24 to see their friends leave for Japan on board the Heian Maru may remember seeing the faces of these five lucky Nisei university girl graduates, four from Seattle and one from Portland, who sailed on a Japan tour as guests of the famous Japanese women's magazine, Shufu no Tomo.

Prior to their departure for the Orient, the girls posed for this picture with Consul and Mme. Y. Sato in the beautiful garden of the latter's residence in Seattle. Left to right they are May Shimizu, Chie Horiuchi, Mme. Y. Sato, the consul, Stella Yorozu, Esther Uchimura and Yuriko Shiogi (Portland).

East Richochats

By "Chatter"

Rev. Tatsu Speaker

Rev. T. Tatsu, accompanied by the principal of Strathcona School in Vancouver, visited East Richmond for the second time, March 3. Mr. Tatsu is the pastor of the Japanese Foursquare Church in Vancouver.

His speech on present-day conditions in Japan was enthusiastically received by all present. Our only regret is that owing to other urgent meetings, many could not attend his talk.

Tickets for the Red Cross dance are selling very rapidly, so, we advise you to get yours today. Remember the school holds just so many.

Boat Launched

Mr. K. Takahashi's new fishing boat was launched recently, and what a honey it is! Half of the fishing fleet here are now on the "ways" undergoing the annual round of painting, repairing and so forth.

Fishing talk is in the air everywhere. "Wonder what size mesh for sockeye . . . hope the springs run good . . ." echoes.

But "Chatter" is hoping for lots of strawberries.

Prince Rupert Patter

By Hiroshi Hamasaki

Cold Wave

In the recent cold snap that visited this northern part of B. C. with the mercury slumping to 16 above zero, many Nisels took up skating at the various ponds and dams and a few days later the younger ones had their turn at sleighing. But now it is the same as usual with a patter-patter on the roofs.

Cemetery

Nisels and Isseis helped in a clean-up of the Japanese plot under the sponsorship of the local Japanese Association.

Meetings

At a meeting held on Feb. 24 at the Japanese Hall, the members of the C.J.Y.P.S. decided to take up public speaking. The next meeting will be devoted to it.

At the fellowship tea which took place Feb. 25 at the Japanese Mission, hymn singing occupied most of the time. A minute's silence in honour of the late principal, Mr. Arthur Sutton, was observed.

The evening service of the Sei-kokai was taken over by the confirmed members of the Nippon A.Y.P.A. Those who took part were Joey Kadonaga, Setsuo Kuwahara, A. Tsuji, S. Shimizu and Hiroshi Hamasaki.

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Speedy Recovery

To Ritsuko and Mitsuo Sakai, Isami Koyama who are at present in the hospital and to Miss Lang who is confined to her home.

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Appointment

Students of the Booth Memorial High School were interested and pleased to hear the appointment of Mr. W. W. C. O'Neill as principal of the high school succeeding the late Mr. Sutton. Mr. Heyward has been serving the school very ably in the role of vice-principal.

Boom! Boom!

It looks as if the Japanese residing in Seal Cove will have to move out soon what with the continual barrage of blasting and dynamiting that is assailing their ears. A Vancouver firm is constructing an airport in the immediate vicinity.

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Summerland Sallies

By Amari Shaberu

Nuptials

A lovely wedding ceremony was performed Wednesday, Feb. 28 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kita of Summerland, when Miss Mi... Tamaki of Kelowna was united in marriage to Mr. Shigeru Kita.

After the ceremony the many friends and relatives of the couple were entertained at a wedding supper in the local Japanese Hall. The happy couple are to make their home in Penticton.

Congratulations and best wishes for eternal happiness!

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Sports Map

Ping pong and baseball seem to be the major sport interests of Nisei here, and though the former has been neglected for the past few months the local experts are thinking seriously of taking up their racquets again to answer recent challenges from Kelowna. The "date" will be decided at the next meeting of the club.

Organization of the Okanagan Japanese Baseball League is well under way, and we hope to have all the plans complete in the near future. Spring is in the air, and with it memories of horsehide and hickory. So come on boys, let's see your "stuff"!

Remember the Red Cross Meeting at Nippon Club

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Expansion Eastward Solution To Nisei Vocational Problem, Claims Student

EDITOR'S NOTE—One of the major and most vital problems confronting the Nisei in B. C. today is the vocational problem. Our readers will no doubt be interested in reading a student's views on the question as reflected by the following paper delivered by Satoru Watanabe, third year Arts student of the local University, at the Northwest Intercollegiate Advance held recently in Seattle.

According to our interpretation, "Immigration and Vocational Opportunities," would mean two things: (a) vocational opportunities of the immigrants and (b) the effect of immigrants on the opportunities of the Niseis.

We need not concern ourselves with the vocational opportunities of the immigrants since they are restricted to farm laborers and domestic servants by the 1938 modification of the Gentleman's Agreement between Canada and Japan.

The effect of immigrants on the vocational opportunities of the Niseis is also negligible since the entry into Canada of late has been steadily declining. According to statistics, there were 104 immigrants during the fiscal year '33-'34; 93 during '34-'35; 83 during '35-'36; 88 during '36-'37; 88 during '37-'38 and 30 during '38-'39.

It is interesting to note that, of this number a great proportion is composed of the wives of those immigrants already in Canada.

In the light of the above facts, it is evident that Japanese immigration has practically no effect on the vocational problems of the Niseis. Therefore, we have decided to concern ourselves only with the lines of work open to the Niseis in Canada. At present (being the statistics of 1938) there are about 13,000 Niseis in Canada. Of these about 12,500 live in British Columbia.

Restrictions and Discriminations Against B. C. Niseis

The second generation Japanese outside of B. C. have no legal difficulties with respect to vocations and so have a much freer choice than the Niseis in B. C. As you may already know, Niseis in B. C. are not given the right to vote unless they have served in either the Canadian Navy, Army or Airforce in the Great War. Not only this but they are also barred from various vocations by legal, regulatory and customary restrictions, i.e. restrictions determined by statutes, by regulations and rules of certain bodies and by customs and conventions.

By law, a Nisei in B. C. may not be elected to the Provincial Legislature or to Municipal office. He may not be elected as a school trustee or be selected to jury service. He cannot be employed by a government contractor or by a buyer of crown timber for logging such timber. He cannot obtain licence as a hand logger nor take up pharmacy. At present, the Provincial Government of British Columbia is driving Japanese out of the fishing industry by limiting the number of licences issued to them. In the lumbering industry the Minimum Wage Act is producing the same effect.

There is no legality restricting the Japanese from the legal profession, but the regulations of the Law Society prevents a Japanese from articling himself as a Law student in B. C.

By convention, a Nisei is barred from becoming a provincial police, a sheriff or a teacher or in fact from taking part in other provincial and municipal services.

Professions and Occupations Open to Niseis

Now the question is, what fields are open to the Niseis? The fields opened to the second generation in British Columbia are: Air pilots, architects, bankers, barbers, chiropractors, dentists, hair dressers, land surveyors, miners, physicians, professional engineers and ship pilots.

At the present time, of the 12,500 Niseis in B. C. about 3500 are over 18 years of age. Of these 3500 nine per cent are engaged in the professions; 4.6 per cent in clerical positions; 1.3 per cent in skilled labour as carpentry, plumbing, auto mechanics, barbers, and 93.2 per cent in semi-skilled and unskilled labour, mostly lumbering, fishing and agriculture.

With the Niseis growing up to take their position in the world, it is evident that they must find some field with which to make their livelihood. From the above statistics we see that most of the employed Niseis are in semi-skilled labor. With the restrictions of licences in these fields becoming more and more rigid, it becomes apparent that in the near future Niseis must find some solution to this problem.

Where Does the Solution Lie?

Obviously, the Nisei cannot take up the unrestricted vocations like medicine, dentistry, chiropractics, hair dressing, land surveying, etc., because of the overcrowding which would result.

Obtaining the right to vote would remove many of the vocational restrictions but under the present conditions it is almost impossible to obtain this privilege.

We therefore believe that the only practical solution to this problem is emigration from B. C. to the other provinces of Canada where second generation Japanese have no legal disabilities whatever.

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Maple Ridge Names Congress Delegates

By "News and Views"

JCCL Meet

The local chapter of the JCCL held an executive meeting March 1, at the Whonnock Japanese Hall. Discussions centered mainly around the coming Youth Congress. Delegates to be sent are Doug Oike, Teruko Hidaka and Robert Oikawa.

Badminton

Members of the Maple Ridge Badminton Club are now seen going around with smiles and enlightened hearts since the grand showing of the boys in the "B" division of the B. C. Japanese Open Badminton Tournament recently held at the Strathcona Gym.

Thanks Mac and "Tung"!

What cruel trick of fate was it in the same game . . . that put brother against brother. The reason for Maple Ridge winning in the "B" division has just leaked out. It was a case of "win and keep your moustache or loose and have it shaven off!"

Kelowna Celebrates 2600th Anniversary

KELOWNA, B. C.—Highlighting a celebration in commemorating the founding of the Japanese Empire was the donation of the sum of $50 by the Kelowna Fukei Kai (Japanese Association) to the Nisei Club.

The donation was presented by the K. Kawahara, secretary of the Fukei Kai, and E. Yoshioka, Nisei Club president, expressed the thanks of the second generation members.

The celebration was held Feb. 11, with Rev. Y. Yoshioka officiating, with several speeches from leading citizens including Y. Ebihara, K. Shirai, and T. Kobayashi.

E. Yoshioka and I. Yamamoto spoke on behalf of the Niseis and H. Mori from the Kelowna Language School.

Over The Footlights

Hiroshima Actors Rush Rehearsals

The Hiroshima Young People's Society that blazed a trail in the then virgin field of dramatic art a decade ago has once more taken to the well-trodden path to achieve greater heights, to win new fame and to add new laurels to a crown already heavy with the achievements of former years.

As announced a few weeks ago, the society is presenting the popular "Conscription," with an all-star cast in commemoration of its 20th anniversary at the Japanese Hall, March 16.

THE STORY

The plot revolves around the story of the Matsumoto family, how the aged father, Kunizo, his eldest son, Tojiro and the latter's wife suffer at the hands of Mr. Matsumoto's second wife and her depraved son, Kozo, and his Lady Macbeth-like wife, Ishiko. The Sino-Japanese war of 1894 breaks out and on the field of battle, the younger son, spurred on by his mother, succeeds in getting his innocent brother court-martialled for a crime which he himself has committed in order to gain sole heritage of the family fortune. Just how fate intervenes to thwart the ruthless machinations of Kozo, the playwright narrates in deft and bold strokes that leave the spectators weak from head to foot.

Taking the leading roles in the Matsumoto family are Steve Tateishi (the father), Shizue Ito (his wife), Kaz Suga (the elder son), Lily Shishido (his wife), Doug. Funamoto (the younger son) and Mitsuye Sasaki (his wife).

Huge Throngs View Steveston JCCA Exhibit Of Arts And Handicrafts

By Saburo Hayashi

A most successful exhibition of art work was held in the community hall, Feb. 25-26, sponsored by the Steveston Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League in commemoration of the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire. Included in the exhibition which drew record crowds were displays of arts and crafts of every description, floral arrangement, natural science collections and many others.

At the east end of the community hall, against a background of hanging paintings by some of the most famous artists in Japan was an exhibition of the art of floral arrangement or "Ikebana." Using broom, willow, tulips, violets and daffodils, many and varied were the arrangements.

The north side of the hall was devoted to an exhibition of women's handicraft, sewing, knitting, embroidery, crochet work and so forth. A highlight was a beautiful doll in complete wedding ensemble.

Trophy Display

Silver trophies made a brilliant display on the west end of the building. Here were arranged the numerous trophies which have been won by various Steveston clubs in many fields, such as kendo, oratory, badminton, basketball and others. A distinctive feature were the unique Japanese swords and the suit of armour with helmet standing in the corner. Here, too, were arranged models of carvings, which drew the greatest interest from the visitors.

Natural science collections included pressed wild flowers, butterfly collections, giant sea shells and whale teeth vases.

Hung on the walls were cleverly executed charcoal sketches of movie stars, and on one section pictures telling the story of the changes in Japan brought about by westernization.

Taiyos Split Even In Victoria Games

VICTORIA, B. C.—The Taiyo basketballers broke even in the two games played last week in the Victoria Japanese Community League, losing the game against the JCCL, 19-24, and then taking the Beavers into camp two nights later by a 35-15 score.

In the first tussle the Citizen Leaguers led at half-time by a 9-2 score, and then coasted to victory in a close-checking affair. The second game saw the Beavers crumple under a 22-5 barrage in the second half, after trailing the Taiyos hoopsters, 13-10, at the whistle.

First Game

Taiyos—Thomas Kuwabara 5, M. Kuwabara 1, Muneo Kawasoe 5, Mitsuo Kawasoe 4, Shumule Okamoto 1, S. Kuwata, G. Hasegawa 3. Total 19.

JCCL—E. Kondo 8, J. Shimizu 5, H. Kawasoe 1, S. Okamoto, Sy Iof 2, G. Kuwata 4, M. Okamoto 4. Total 24.

Second Game

Taiyos—Thomas Kuwabara 20, M. Kuwabara 6, Muneo Kawasoe 2, Mitsuo Kawasoe 1, G. Hasegawa 4, S. Kuwata, Shumule Okamoto 2. Total 35.

Beavers—S. Shimizu 3, T. Uyede 4, K. Kuwabara 6, P. Hasegawa, Hideo Ioi, G. Uyede, Tak Kuwabara 2. Total 15.

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Double Trouble

Well, the mixed doubles tournament next wek will wind up another successful shuttle season. With the top notichers pairing up — well, anything is bound to happen, and it would be a unhealthy job indeed to pick 'em.

Scanning the old records of the league games, the Strathcona team of **Mat Matsui** and **Fumi Oesima** look the hottest. Even during practice matches, this pair has continuously handed setbacks to the '39 champs, **Shig Okumura** and **Lucy Koyanagi**. If Steveston's duo of **Hiroshi Hamado** and **Sadako Kochi** had teamed up it would have been even money for Steveston to take the title, but unfortunately for the fishing town, Hamado could not find time to compete in the tourney.

The surprise team of **Tommy Iwasaki** and **Miyoko Sogawa** ought to give the champs a stiff battle. So should Y.P.'s ace duo of **Johnny Tanaka** and **Mary Saekusa**.

Half a League, Anyhow!

Judging from the response to the call of the Japanese Baseball League, things don't appear any to rosy. Of the five teams entered in the circuit last season, this year only two have signed on the dotted line. Union Fish Giants are definitely in! Mikado's are definitely out! Hammond has only half a team, and no word has come from Steveston. Boy, what a league!

With Mikado's entry folding up, the short-handed Hammond boys are tearing around signing loose players, and should have enough players for a team. It is also rumored along the sports front that in case there are only three teams in the loop, Roy Yamamura, the genial manager of the Asahi's will organise the fourth team under the Asahi banner.

We Want Amazons!

With the local Nippons and the Nipponettes prepping up for their coming invasion on Good Friday week-end, let's take a glance at the casaba situation down south to see what kind of competition we're likely to meet with. The Seattle likely to meet with. The Seattle Girls' Reserve are putting on a grand exhibition of hoopla in their league, but alas for the Hornet's, they are still in the doldrum and to date have won only one game.

The local girls are mastering both the men's rules and the girls' rules splendidly, but we certainly will miss the famed Amazon line, which was split up when Chiea Nishikaze, our battering ram in the forward line, went back to her original stamping ground, Prince Rupert.

Also to be missing from the original Amazon line will be the sharp-shooting May Yoshimaka who can't make the trip. But to compensate for all that the girls have improved 100 per cent in their ball handling and sniping, and should give the Seattle Girls' team a tough battle.

Incidentally a letter from the great "Westwind" Nishikaze to all her friends:

Dear Pals:

Thanks a lot for showing me a good time during my stay in Vancouver. You've all been swell to me, and I sure appreciate it.

There is nothing much doing here except a little skating—gosh it's cold—even for me!

Take notice Fuji Ski Club—we actually have snow. You ought to come up and see us some time!

Well, time's awasting so will be signing off. Wish you kids would drop me a line now and then and help me keep in touch with things. So long, kids, see you all next year—I hope.

Westwind.

P.S.—Give my love to the Seattle kids and tell them I'm sorry I couldn't come over to do a little hip swinging and charging.

Yes, Siree, we will certainly miss you Chiea, those smashing hips of yours weren't to be laughed at. I'm sure we could have made splendid use of them against Seattle, but we'll take them anyways.

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Steveston Ousts Fighting Nomads For Crack At Marpole

Steveston, starting off with a 10-point handicap, were all set on massacring the underdog Nomads, but the Vancouver boys paced by George Yoshinaka, Yosh Nishimura and Sakai Tsukamoto threw a bad scare into the enemy camp almost overtaking the highly-rated fisher lads. But thanks to a 32-22 margin from the first game, the Stevestonites came out on top, 69-57, in the two-game total-point series.

In the last quarter Nomads received their toughest break when George Yoshinaka and Ken Hori were thumbed to the showers on personals. Joe's boys came within 3 digits, but their defence fell apart as K. Ichino weaved through for 8 points which put the game in the bag 69-57 for the Steveston outfit.

Steveston will meet Marpole in the finals beginning Saturday.

K. Ichino who pulled his teammates out of the rut in the last quarter copped scoring honors by potting 14 points. Gangling Yosh Nishimura made good use of his height on the rebounds and netted an even dozen.

Nomads—Tsukamoto 11, Hori, Ozaki, Miyazaki, Nishimura 12, Akiyama, Fukui 4, Yoshinaka 8. Total 35.

Steveston—K. Naruse 8, Mori 5, D. Naruse, R. Matsuba 2, Ichino 15, Kishiuchi 2, Konishi, G. Matsuba, Mukai 5. Total 37.

SCORE BY PERIODS

First Game—				
Nomads	5	2	5	10—22
Steveston	6	2	8	16—32
Second Game—				
Nomads	10	10	9	5—35
Steveston	10	6	9	12—37

Ashikawa Leads Attack To Outclass Harry's, 87-70, In Total-Point Series

All's quiet on the senior basketball front. The Harry's - Maikawa semi - final fracas which threatened to blow the roof off the Japanese Gym fell flatter than the proverbial pancake with the department store scoring two decisive wins over the Hastings Street clothier crew. Bolstered by a nine-point edge from a 42-33 victory gained last Saturday, they took the second encounter handily, 45-37, on Wednesday to finish out on top 87-70 in the two-game total-point series.

In the deciding game, Harry's were in there trying all the way, but the store boys had them outclassed.

Working together as a team, the Powell Streeters, pulled ahead to a 21-13 lead by half-time. In the third quarter Ashikawa led his team's assault with four beauties while in the wide-open last period Mike Maruno flashed brilliant form sinking three field goals and three fouls to protect his team's margin as they coasted in to an easy verdict.

Ashikawa flanked by Maruno and Nikaido supplied the scoring punch for Maikwaa while Asano and Shimizu replied for the men's wear quintet.

Rebounds: Hard-working Kaz Suga was dogged by tough luck all evening long. Time after time he let go shots that were ticketed sure goals, but the pesky ball just wouldn't go in. . . . As was expected Ashikawa headed the scoring parade in the series with 28 points. Nikaido was second with 17 and Asano right on his heels with 16. . . . High and low we searched, but nary a sign of the two team managers. Hats off to Harry Miyazaki for taking his team's defeat like a sportsman.

Harry's—Kato 6, Shimizu 8, Asano 10, Onishi 3, Suga 2, Yanagizawa 4, Hashimoto 4. Total 37.

Maikawa—Onizuka 4, Mitsui 3, Sawada, Ashikawa 14, Nikaido 8, Maruno 11, Uno 3. Total 45.

SCORE BY PERIODS

First Game—				
Harry's	13	6	6	8—33
Maikawa	11	9	10	12—42
Second Game—				
Harry's	6	7	8	16—37
Maikawa	9	12	10	14—45

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At stake in the senior division will be the Chuck Tanaka trophy captured last year by Bing Tanaka. The juniors will be fighting for the New Pier Cafe Trophy won by Hompa's smashing Tatsuo Kagawa.

For this grand table tennis meet Bing Tanaka is arranging to have Seattle's tablers take part. All entries are requested to be in by March 27.

Japanese Table Tennis League's senior semi-finals get underway this Sunday with the third place Mikado's meeting the Gakuyukai trio at Hompa Kaikan.

The teams will line up with the Mikado's holding a slight edge in the fight. George Yoshinaka, Yogi Yasui and Tommy Asano . . . The junior ranks make up the Fairview entry, while Tairou Tsukamoto, Hirano and Sab Sato of [illegible] GYK's honors.

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Washing out gold at the spot (above) where the Japan's rich new Eldorado was discovered. As in the bonanza days of California and the Klondyke, the gold rush is on

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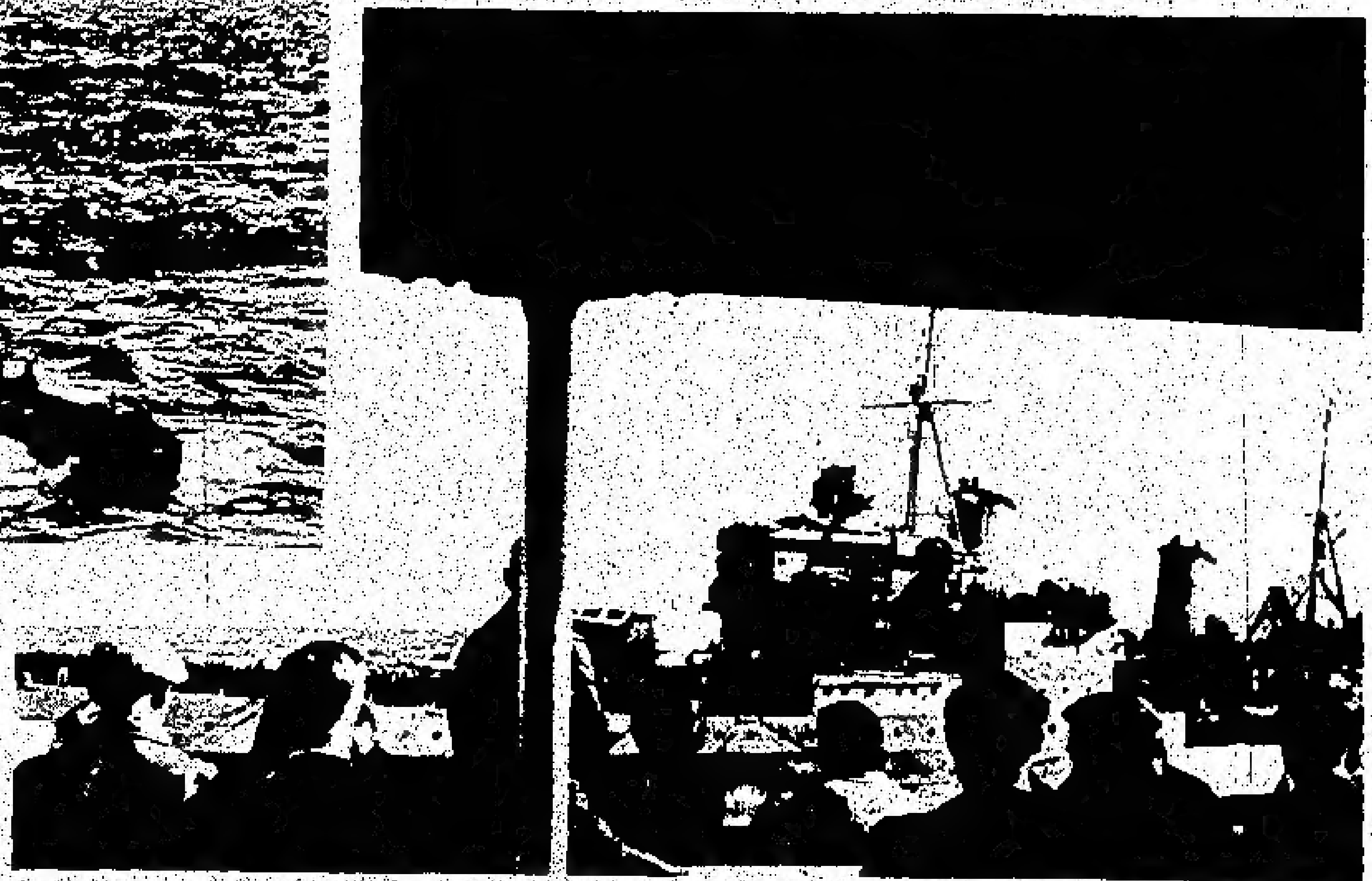

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His Imperial Highness, the Crown Prince Akihito of Japan, (left) recently reached his sixth birthday in glowing good health. The picture was taken by the official photographer of the Imperial Household

Battledore and shuttlecock. Grammar school girls are shown above competing at the annual New Years contest in these old games at Hibiya Park in Tokyo, with the Park department as sponsor

Meet the Mighty Futabayama, grand champion of sumo. Left he is performing Dohyo-iri, the ceremony for entry to the ring during the New Year Tournaments

The Outer Gardens of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo are beautified by Government employees (above) who volunteered for the work as part of the commemoration of the 2600th anniversary of the Empire